

# City of Lawrence

## Building Code Board of Appeals Meeting

### January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 Development Services

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mark Stogsdill, Greg Rau, Michael Brunin, Chris Cunningham, Kevin Markley

**STAFF PRESENT:** Development Services  
Ex- Officio Lee Queen-Building Inspector, Ex- Officio Janet Smalter-Plans Examiner, Ex- Officio Barry Walthall-Building Official

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Bobbie Flory, Sean Reid, Curt Baumann, Ken Hoffman

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Meeting called to order 11:00am.

First item of business was to approve minutes from the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting. **Michael Brunin moved to approve minutes as written, Seconded by Chris Cunningham. Motion passed 5-0.**

The next item was to review and discuss chapters 6-10 of the IRC.

Stogsdill asked Smalter what our local snow load and ultimate wind design speed were. Smalter said the snow load was 20lbs and ultimate wind design speed is 115mph.

Smalter told the board that existing amendments to the code would be evaluated after review of the IRC is complete.

Staff and board members both talked about confusion over the change of R602.10.6.4, continuously sheathed portal frames. Smalter said she would continue to research this code section.

Markley questioned if the roof structure was reviewed before installation of photovoltaic systems. Queen said he was pretty sure most structures were scrutinized at plan review before installation. Rau asked if licensing was required for photovoltaic installations. Walthall answered yes, that both installers and electrical contractors are required to be licensed.

The board then completed review and discussion of significant changes in chapters 6-10.

Stogsdill then asked for input from Douglas County code officials in attendance. Walthall said this agenda item was added to help increase collaboration and input with Douglas County jurisdictions' code officials.

Reid said he is trying to establish a Building Inspection Professionals Association locally. Reid thought the group could increase collaboration on common guidelines and policies in the county. He noted the new Cold Weather Concrete guidelines as an example of

collaboration between Lawrence and Douglas County. Walthall said the goal is to have all jurisdictions in Douglas County on a common code. He said they may not be exactly the same but hopefully very similar. Reed said it works to everybody's advantage to be on similar codes. He said Douglas County has a unique opportunity to achieve this.

Stogsdill noted the next meeting would cover the energy provisions of the code and appendices to the IRC.

**Brunin made a motion to adjourn, Seconded by Rau. Passed 5-0.**

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